

PAGE 01 BRUSSE 04314 151641Z
ACTION AF-01

RELEASED IN PART
B1, 1.4(B)

INFO	LOG-00	AID-01	ARA-01	CA-02	CIAE-00	C-01	OASY-00
	ANHR-01	DS-00	EAP-01	EUR-01	HA-09	H-01	IMMC-01
	TEDE-00	INR-00	IO-16	LAB-01	L-01	ADS-00	MFLO-03
	M-00	NEA-01	NSAE-00	NSCE-00	OCS-06	OIC-02	OIG-04
	OMB-01	PA-01	PC-01	PM-00	PRS-01	P-01	SCT-03
	SNP-00	SP-00	SSO-00	SS-00	TRSE-00	T-00	USIE-00
	SA-01	ASDS-01	FMP-00	SNIS-00	NISC-02	PMB-00	/066W

-----3C720B 151642Z /38

O 151547Z APR 94
FM AMEMBASSY BRUSSELS
TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 6538
USMISSION USUN NEW YORK IMMEDIATE
INFO UN SECURITY COUNCIL COLLECTIVE IMMEDIATE
AMEMBASSY BUJUMBURA IMMEDIATE
AMEMBASSY DAR ES SALAAM IMMEDIATE
AMEMBASSY NAIROBI IMMEDIATE
AMEMBASSY KAMPALA IMMEDIATE
AMEMBASSY ADDIS ABABA IMMEDIATE
AMEMBASSY ACCRA IMMEDIATE
AMEMBASSY DHAKA IMMEDIATE
JOINT STAFF WASHDC IMMEDIATE
SECDEF WASHDC IMMEDIATE
USCINCEUR VAIHINGEN GE

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE BRUSSELS 04314

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 02 BRUSSE 04314 151641Z

E.O. 12356: N/A

TAGS: PREL, MOPS, BE, RW, UN, KE

SUBJECT: TFRW01: BELGIAN MFA BRIEFS UNSC AMBASSADORS
ON ITS POSITION ON RWANDA CRISIS:
HELP US GET UNAMIR OUT NOW

REF: A) BRUSSELS 4285 B) BRUSSELS 4272
C) BRUSSELS 4230 D) BRUSSELS 4209

1. BELGIAN MFA INVITED BRUSSELS AMBASSADORS OF UNSC COUNTRIES TO A BRIEFING ON RWANDA TO EXPLAIN ITS VIEWS ON THE FUTURE OF UNAMIR. MFA'S SECRETARY GENERAL FRANS ROELANTS AND MOD CHIEF OF STAFF GENERAL CHARLIER ADDRESSED THE GROUP. ROELANTS OUTLINED THE POLITICAL FACTORS THAT HAVE PROMPTED BELGIUM TO DECIDE TO WITHDRAW ITS FORCES

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE
CLASSIFIED BY DEPT. OF STATE, M. GRAFELD, DAS, A/GIS
REVIEW AUTHORITY: ARCHIE M BOLSTER
CLASSIFICATION: CONFIDENTIAL REASON: 1.4(B), 1.4(D)
DECLASSIFY AFTER: 15 APR 2016
DATE/CASE ID: 29 JUN 2011 201005065

UNCLASSIFIED

FROM THE UNAMIR CONTINGENT. REFTELS HAVE ALREADY REPORTED
POINTS MADE BY ROELANTS AT THIS AFTERNOON'S BRIEFING.

UNCLASSIFIED

B1

3. A SORT OF EQUILIBRIUM BETWEEN THE TWO SIDES HAD NOW
SET IN, CHARLIER SAID. BELGIUM BELIEVED RWANDA WAS IN FOR
A PROTRACTED AND BLOODY MILITARY CONFLICT. UNAMIR WAS
LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 03 BRUSSE 04314 151641Z
UNABLE TO OBTAIN INFORMATION ABOUT CONDITIONS IN THE
INTERIOR OF THE COUNTRY AND WAS NOT EQUIPPED TO WITHSTAND
THE ATTACKS OF BETTER ARMED RPF OR FAR FORCES. IT WAS,
THEREFORE, ILLUSORY, TO BELIEVE THAT A MEANINGFUL OR
DURABLE CEASE FIRE COULD BE NEGOTIATED IN FIVE DAYS OR
THAT UNAMIR WOULD NOT BE ENDANGERED AS THE SECURITY
SITUATION WORSENER.

B1

5. ROELANTS CLOSED THE MEETING BY DISTRIBUTING FONMIN
CLAES' LETTER TO SYG BOUTROS GHALI REQUESTING A QUICK
DECISION ON THE FUTURE OF UNAMIR. ROELANTS ALSO APPEALED
FOR SUPPORT IN THE UNSC FOR BELGIUM'S POSITION.

BLINKEN

UNCLASSIFIED